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Marquis Grissom Baseball Association Returns to Welcome All Park April 30

(CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GA – April 26, 2022) – The Marquis Grissom Baseball Association is back in action this year with opening day scheduled for April 30 at the City of South Fulton's Welcome All Park.

Founded in 2006 by former Atlanta Brave and South Fulton native Marquis Grissom, the organization provides athletes in underserved communities the opportunity to compete in a competitive baseball league. It partners with A Plus Learning Center to provide professional tutoring in math, language arts and other subjects.

"I am delighted that the Marquis Grissom baseball Association is having the opening day of its baseball program," said District 3 Councilwoman Helen Willis. "The partnership with the City of South Fulton started in 2019 but was idled for two years by the COVID-19 pandemic. Finally, our kids will be able to enjoy the game of baseball and learn the sport from the City of South Fulton's homegrown Atlanta Braves baseball legend Marquis Grissom."

The association sponsors youth travel baseball teams in the metro-Atlanta area with teams ranging from ages 7 to 22. The program provides coaching, mentoring, college placement assistance as well as tutoring and scholarship assistance.

"We are excited to kick off the season back at Welcome All Park in full swing. This park is where it all started for me at the age of 7," Grissom said. "We are having our annual family fun day and opening day games. We have over 120 kids participating in our baseball program this year and appreciate Georgia Power's investment in our community and South Fulton's partnership."

Opening Day will start April 30 with an opening ceremony at 10 a.m. with the game's first pitch scheduled at 12 p.m. The day also will feature music, food and more.

Welcome All Park is located at 4255 Will Lee Road, South Fulton, GA 30349.

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About the City of South Fulton

Home to nearly 108,000 residents, the City of South Fulton is Georgia's fifth-largest city. It covers more than 85 square miles and features both urban and rural landscapes with the most undeveloped land on metro Atlanta's southern side. Incorporated on May 1, 2017, South Fulton is among Georgia's youngest and fastest-growing cities – on the rise and recognized as the place you want to be. Learn more, download our smartphone app and connect with us on social media at cityofsouthfultonga.gov.